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SUBJECT: INCREASE IN CENTO GRADED STAFF SALARIES AND ALLOWANCE IN RECOGNITION OF CURRENCY DEVALUATIONS

1. CENTO SECRETARY RENERAL HALUK BAYULKEN HAS REQUESTED COUNCIL OF DEPUTIES APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION: THE COUNCIL NOTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BUDGET AND FISCAL COMMITTEE APPROVES THE 5 PERCENT INCREASE IN CENTO GRADED STAFF SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES WITH EFFECT FROM JULY 1, 1975 AS REQUESTED IN CENTO DOCUMENT BAC/75/D13.

2. THE FOREGOING IS REQUESTED ON THE BASIS THAT ON JULY Y 4, 1975 THE TURKISH LIRA WAS INCREASED IN VALUE AGAINST THE POUND STERLING BY 5 PERCENT. ONE RESULT OF THIS REVALUATION WAS THAT THE CENTO GRADED STAFF, WHOSE SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES ARE STATED IN STERLING, RECEIVED 5 PERCENT LESS TURKISH LIRA IN THEIR PAY ENVELOPES BEGINNING IN JULY 1975. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. THE SECRETARY GENERAL NOTES THAT INASMUCH AS THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1974/1975 FUNDS OBLIGATED TO COVER THE ADJUSTED SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES FOR JULY-SEPTEMBER 1975 WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR USE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1975, AS PROVIDED BY ARTICLE 13 (B) OF THE CENTO FINANCIAL REGULATIONS, HE REQUESTS APPROVAL OF THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION BY DECEMBER 24, 1975.

4. THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE FOREGOING FOR THE 1975-1976 BUDGET IS POUNDS 9,640. CENTO SECRETARIAT NOTES THAT ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS, WHEN THE VALUE OF THE TURKISH LIRA HAS BEEN INCREASED VIS-A-VIS THE POUND STERLING, THE BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED REVISION OF THE SALARY SCHEDULES. REF: BAC/73/D16, DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 1975 AND BAC/73/D5 (REVION NO. 1, DATED JANUARY 15, 1974).

5. WE RECOMMEND COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S REQUEST AND, UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY PRIOR BY DECEMBER 24, 1975, PLAN TO NOTIFY CENTO SECRETARIAT OF OUR CONCURRENCE.

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